Page 15, 2nd full paragraph, has been amended as follows:

The graphical user interface and object-logic tiers of the present invention are programmed for a front-end computer, preferably the Fujitsu Model 1600 running on a Microsoft Windows 98® platform. The preferred programming languages are Microsoft Visual Basic and C++.

In the Claims

Kindly enter the following new claims:

35.

A method for providing point of service medical billing using a computer comprising:

receiving a selection of a patient procedure code from a care provider on a first computer at a point of service;

receiving a selection of a diagnosis code from a care provider on the first computer at the point of service;

electronically sending patient data including the patient procedure code and the diagnosis code from the first computer to a second computer; and

generating a patient bill at the second computer, the patient bill associated with the patient data.

36.

A method of providing point of service medical billing comprising:

electronically sending patient data from a back-end computer to a point of service computer;

associating at least one patient procedure code with the patient data on the point of service computer;

associating at least one diagnosis code with the patient data on the point of service computer;

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electronically sending patient data including the patient procedure code and the diagnosis code from the point of service computer to the back-end computer; and

generating a patient bill at the back-end computer, the patient bill corresponding to the patient data.

37.

A software article stored on a storage medium associated with a point of care computer, the software article providing for point of care billing comprising:

means for receiving patient data from a second computer;

means for sending patient data to a second computer;

means for visually displaying patient data;

means for prompting a health care user to enter at least one patient procedure code;

means for prompting a health care user to enter at least one patient diagnosis code;

means for associating the patient data with at least one patient diagnosis code; and

means for associating a charge with each patient procedure.

38.

The software article of claim 37 further comprising a means for prompting a care provider to enter ailment information associated with a patient.

39.

The software article of claim 37 further comprising a means for prompting a care provider to enter referring provider information associated with a patient.

40.

The software article of claim 37 further comprising a means for prompting a care provider to enter notes associated with a patient.

41.

The software article of claim 37 further comprising a means for prompting a care provider to enter modifiers associated with procedure codes.